

Remarks

Claim 6 has been amended to correct a grammatical error as noted by the examiner. Claims 3 and 15 have been amended to refer to the smoking material of Claim 1, with Claims 3 and 15 each being dependent from Claim 1. Claim 17 has been amended to specify that the smoking material according to Claim 16 further comprises the recited additives. Claims 15 and 17 have also been amended to use more traditional Markush language.

Additional Typographical Errors Noted

The following typographic errors were also noted in the response filed on November 13, 2001:

At page 2, line 30, "Claims 1 - 19" should read "Claims 1 - 18." It should also be noted within this paragraph that Claim 19 is cancelled from the application.

At page 3, line 6, "103(a)" should read "102(b)" to be consistent with rejection cited by the examiner.

At page 3, line 29, "claims 2 - 18" should read "claims 2 - 17".

At page 3, line 30, before "obvious" the words "anticipated or" should be added to address the novelty rejection raised under §102(b) rejection in addition to the obviousness rejection raised by the §103(a) rejection.

At page 3, line 33, "Claims 21 - 27" should read "Claims 18 and 21 - 27". Claim 18 was inadvertently omitted in the original recitation.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**In the Claims:**

Claims 3, 6, 15 and 17 have been amended as follows:

3. (twice amended) A smoking ~~article~~ material according to Claim 1 wherein said non-polyol aerosol generator is present in said smoking material in a range of about 2% to about 30% by weight.

6. (twice amended) A smoking material according to ~~any one of Claims~~ Claim 1 wherein said inorganic filler is present in said smoking material at a level of at least 35% by weight.

15. (twice amended) A smoking ~~article~~ material according to Claim 1 wherein said binder is selected from one or more of an alginate, celluloses, ~~or~~ modified celluloses, starches, ~~or~~ modified starches, ~~or~~ natural gums or a combination thereof.

17. (twice amended) A smoking material according to Claim 16 ~~wherein said material~~ further comprising ~~comprises one or more of~~ cocoa, sugar, fibre, starch, pullulan, other polysaccharide expansion agents, foaming agents, cocoa butter, olive oil, ~~and corn oil~~ or a combination thereof.

Claim 19 has been cancelled.